

## THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

## San Diego Police Department

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## POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN CHOLLAS VIEW

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the stabbing death of a man this morning in Chollas View.

At 1:56 a.m., officers were dispatched to a report of shots fired in the 4900 block of Hilltop Drive. On arrival, they found evidence of a shooting, but they could not locate a victim. As officers were processing the shooting scene, they were notified at 2:34 a.m. that a stabbing victim had been brought to a local hospital by a male and female. The pair told officers they had picked up the victim in the 4900 block of Hilltop Drive. The victim was pronounced dead at 3:53 a.m.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the victim had arrived by car on Hilltop Drive some time before 2:00 a.m. He got out of the car and within a few minutes was attacked in the street by several males. A male and female approached in a car and the attackers fled. The male and female stopped to render aid to the victim and he was taken to the hospital.

The suspects who attacked the victim are described as Hispanic males with shaved heads, wearing Pendleton-style shirts.

The deceased victim was 18 years old and believed to be a San Diego resident. He has been identified, but his name is being withheld pending family notification.

Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-TIPS.